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THE LABOUR FORCE, VICTORIA, MAY 1985

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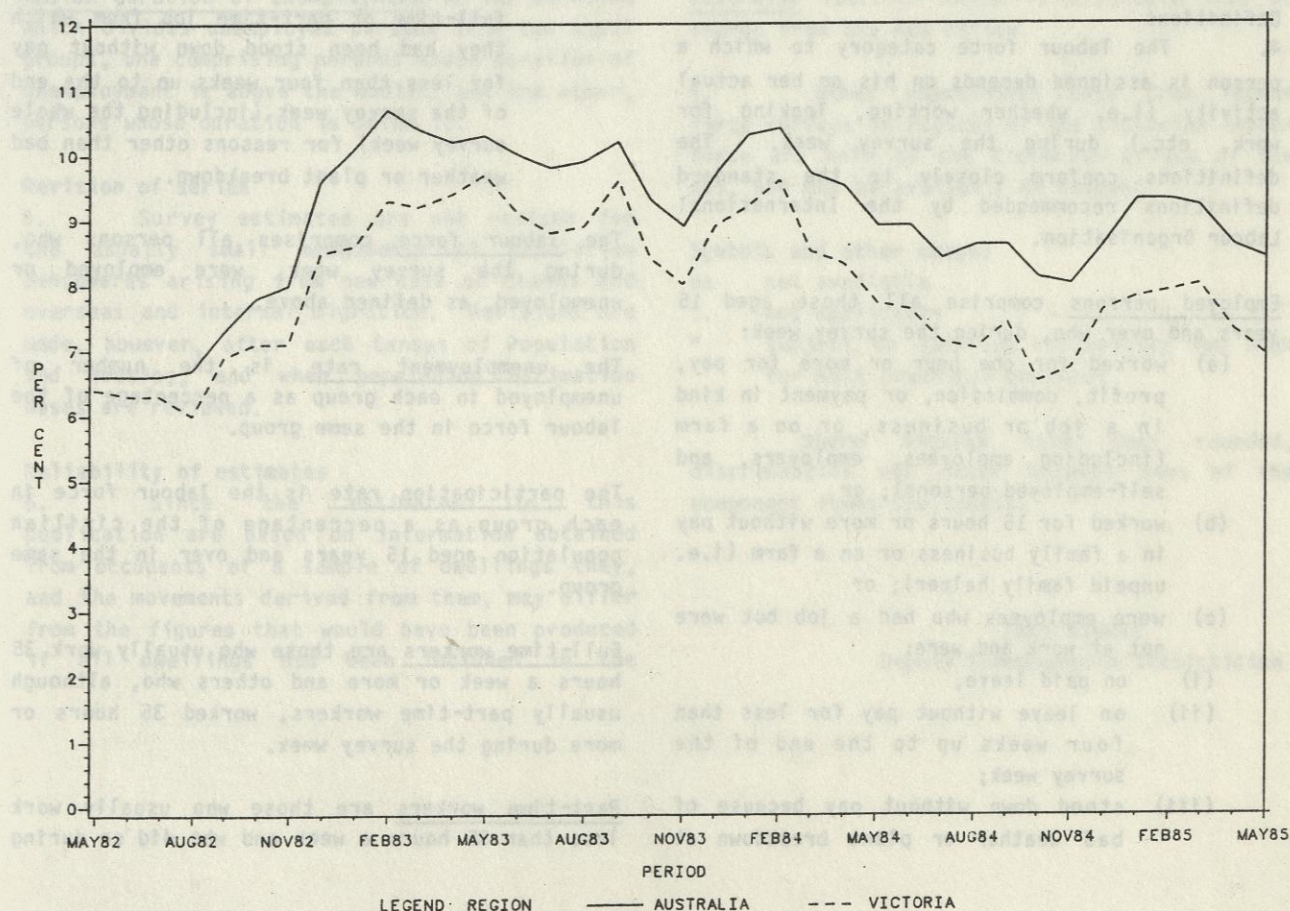
MAIN FEATURES

In May 1985 there were an estimated 1,896,100 persons in the labour force in Victoria of whom 1,765,500 were employed and 130,600 unemployed, compared with an estimated 1,252,000 persons aged 15 and over who were not in the labour force. The labour force participation rate was 60.2 per cent for persons, 74.6 per cent for males, and 46.4 per cent for females.

Victoria's unemployment rate was 6.9 per cent for May 1985. The unemployment rate for Australia for the same period was 8.4 per cent and for Victoria 12 months previously (May 1984) was 7.7 per cent. In May 1985 Victoria's unemployment rate was 6.2 per cent for males and 7.9 per cent for females.

The median duration of unemployment in Victoria for May 1985 was 21.3 weeks for persons, 25.5 weeks for males, and 16.5 weeks for females.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, VICTORIA AND AUSTRALIA



Introduction

This publication contains Victorian labour force estimates derived from the Monthly Population Survey conducted throughout Australia each month by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. Labour force estimates for employed persons classified by industry and occupation are available quarterly (i.e. each February, May, August, and November) in The Labour Force, Victorian Regions (6202.2)

Conduct of the ABS Monthly Population Survey

2. The survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about one-half of one per cent of the Victorian population.

Scope of survey

3. All persons aged 15 years and over are included in the survey except:

- (a) members of the permanent defence forces;
- (b) certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments;
- (c) overseas visitors holidaying in Australia; and
- (d) members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia.

Definitions

4. The labour force category to which a person is assigned depends on his or her actual activity (i.e. whether working, looking for work, etc.) during the survey week. The definitions conform closely to the standard definitions recommended by the International Labour Organisation.

Employed persons comprise all those aged 15 years and over who, during the survey week:

- (a) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission, or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (including employees, employers, and self-employed persons); or
- (b) worked for 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helper); or
- (c) were employees who had a job but were not at work and were:
 - (i) on paid leave;
 - (ii) on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week;
 - (iii) stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at

their place of employment for less than four weeks, up to the end of the survey week;

- (iv) on strike or locked out;
- (v) on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or
- (vi) receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
- (d) were employers or self-employed persons who had a job, business, or farm, but were not at work.

Unemployed persons are those aged 15 years and over who were not employed during the survey week and:

- (a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the survey week and were:
 - (i) available for work in the survey week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks); or
 - (ii) waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the survey week and would have started in the survey week if the job had been available then; or
- (b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week (including the whole survey week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

The labour force comprises all persons who, during the survey week, were employed or unemployed, as defined above.

The unemployment rate is the number of unemployed in each group as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

The participation rate is the labour force in each group as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

Full-time workers are those who usually work 35 hours a week or more and others who, although usually part-time workers, worked 35 hours or more during the survey week.

Part-time workers are those who usually work less than 35 hours a week and who did so during

the survey week. When recording hours of work, fractions of an hour are disregarded.

Persons not in the labour force are those who, during the survey week, were not in the categories 'employed' or 'unemployed'.

Marital status. In the labour force survey, persons are classified as married (including de facto) or not married. Marital status is determined from information supplied by the respondent about the individual himself or herself and, where the person was reported as being married, about the living arrangements of persons usually resident in the household.

A family is defined as consisting of two or more related persons usually resident in the same household at the time of the survey. A family can contain no more than two married persons and can contain two married persons only if these persons are husband and wife.

Hours of work. The figures of aggregate hours and average hours refer to actual hours worked during the survey week, not hours paid for.

Average (mean) duration of unemployment is the duration obtained by dividing the aggregate number of weeks a group has been unemployed by the number of persons in that group.

Median duration of unemployment is the duration which divides unemployed persons into two equal groups, one comprising persons whose duration of unemployment is above the median, and the other, persons whose duration is below it.

Revision of series

5. Survey estimates are not revised for the usually small amendments of population benchmarks arising from new data on deaths and overseas and internal migration. Revisions are made, however, after each Census of Population and Housing, and when population estimation bases are reviewed.

Reliability of estimates

6. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings they, and the movements derived from them, may differ from the figures that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the

survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error of an estimate. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. Standard errors of survey estimates and month to month movements are shown in Tables A and B at the end of this publication. An explanation of standard errors and their use can be found in Section 4 of Information Paper : Victorian Labour Force Statistics (6262.2).

Related publications

7. Users may also wish to refer to the following ABS publications, which are available on request:

The Labour Force, Australia (Preliminary)
(6202.0) (monthly)

The Labour Force, Victorian Regions (6202.2)
(quarterly)

The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0) (monthly)

The Labour Force, Australia (6204.0) (annual)

Information Paper: Victorian Labour Force Statistics (6262.2)

8. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the Catalogue of Publications, Australia (1101.0) which is available free of charge from any ABS Office.

9. Other unpublished data from labour force surveys on aspects of the Victorian labour force are held by the Victorian Office of the ABS, and may be available on request.

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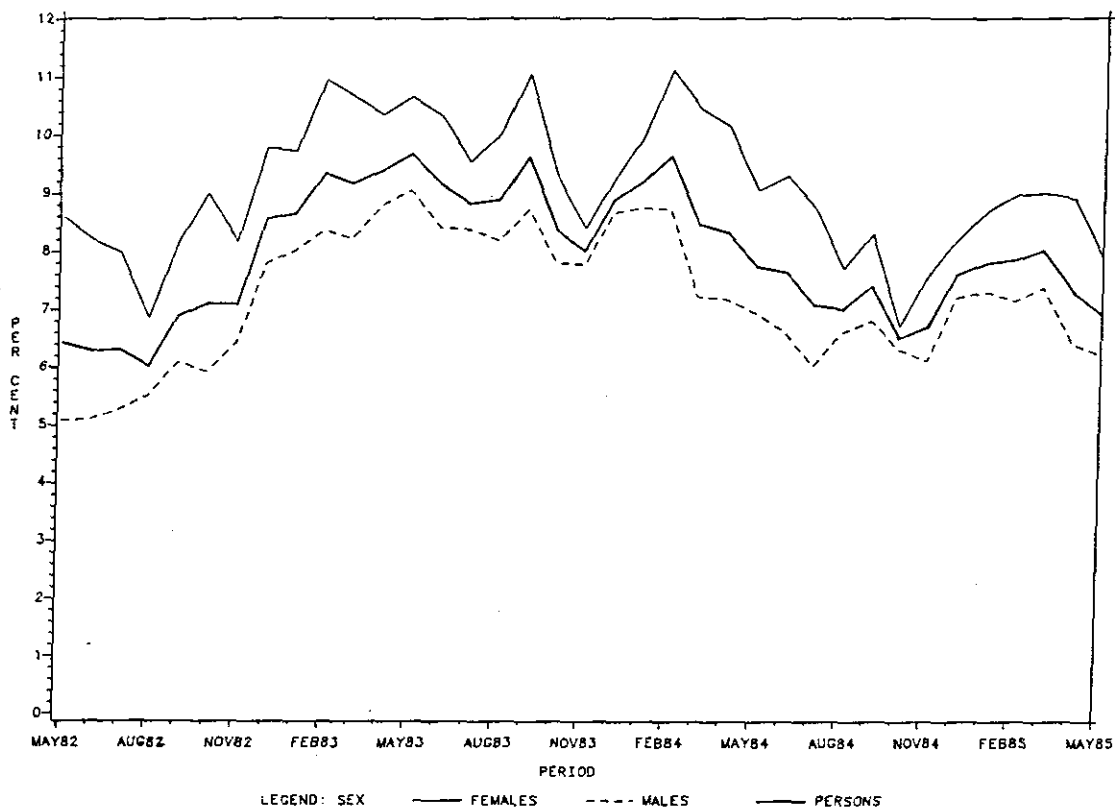
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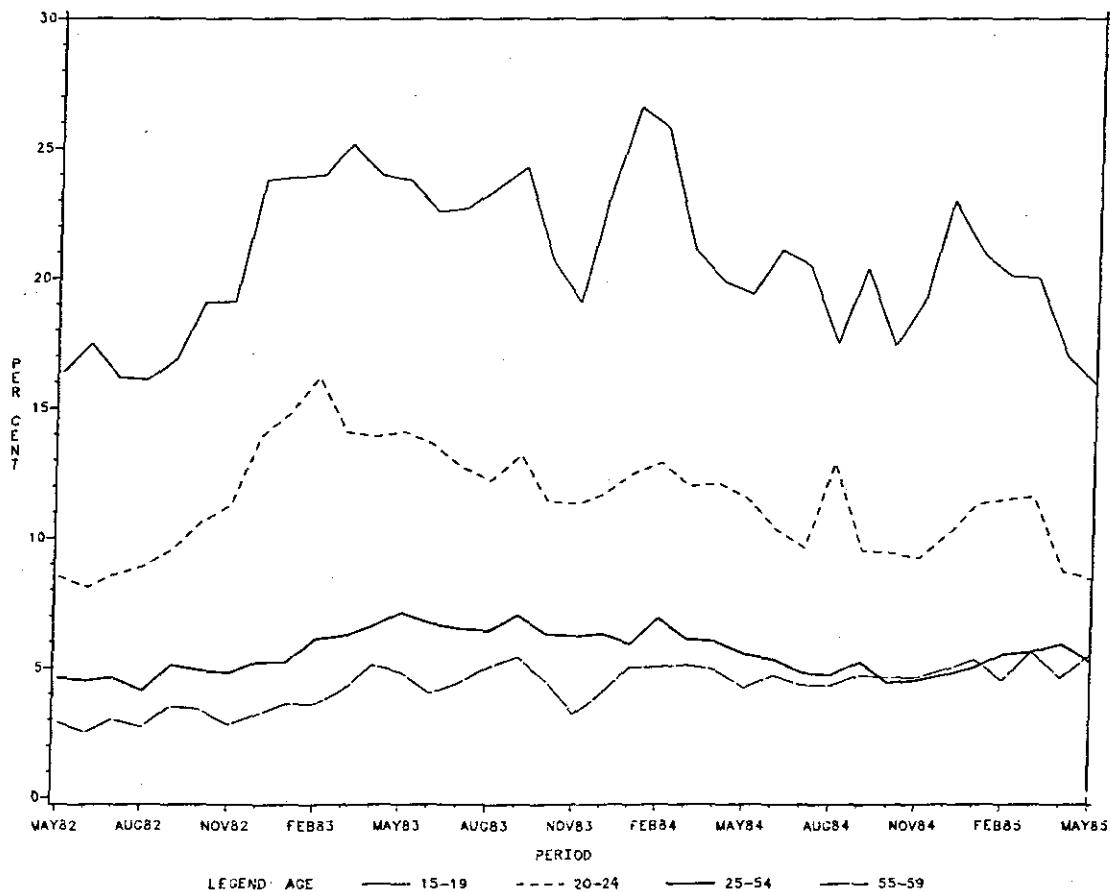
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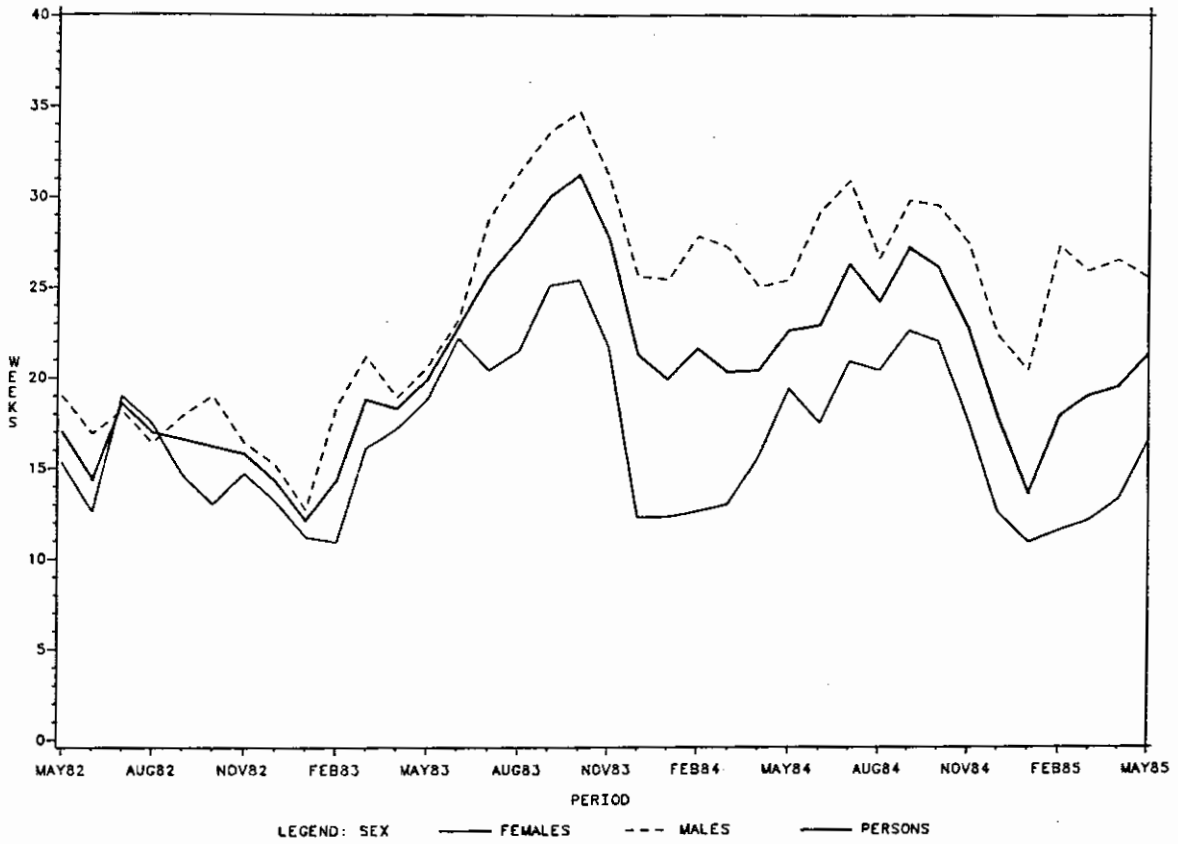
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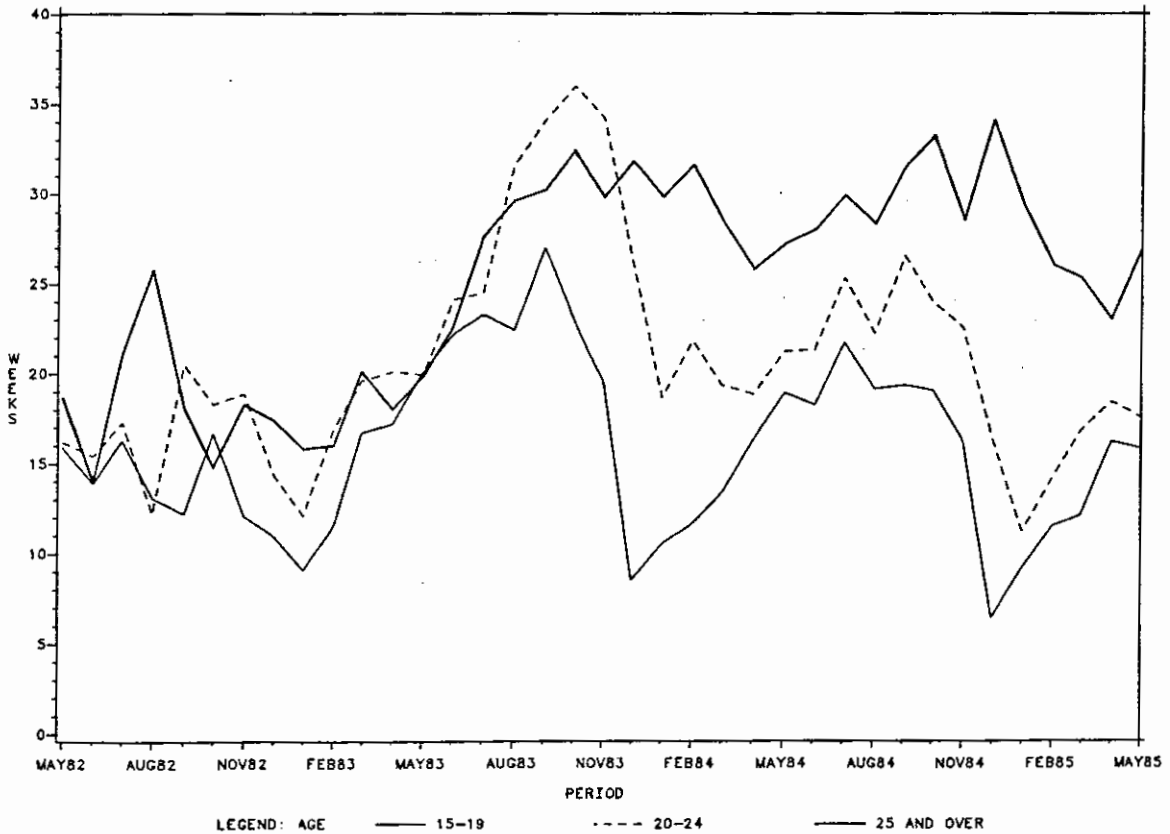


TABLE 1. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER BY LABOUR FORCE STATUS, VICTORIA

Month	Employed		Unemployed looking for work			Labour force ('000)	Not in labour force ('000)	Civilian population 15 years and over ('000)	Unemploy- ment rate (per cent)	Participi- ation rate (per cent)
	Full- time ('000)	Total ('000)	Full- time ('000)	Part- time ('000)	Total ('000)					
MALES										
1984 - Mar.	1,013.2	1,080.2	77.0	7.1	84.1	1,164.3	348.2	1,512.5	7.2	77.0
Apr.	996.7	1,071.3	76.6	6.2	82.8	1,154.1	360.1	1,514.3	7.2	76.2
May	1,009.1	1,078.2	72.9	7.4	80.3	1,158.4	357.7	1,516.1	6.9	76.4
June	1,005.2	1,074.4	68.5	7.2	75.7	1,150.1	368.1	1,518.2	6.6	75.8
July	1,008.5	1,081.9	64.0	5.4	69.4	1,151.2	369.0	1,520.2	6.0	75.7
Aug.	1,004.1	1,069.9	68.8	6.3	75.2	1,145.0	377.3	1,522.4	6.6	75.2
Sept.	1,007.2	1,080.8	71.7	7.0	78.7	1,159.5	364.9	1,524.4	6.8	76.1
Oct.	1,010.5	1,077.1	64.5	7.9	72.5	1,149.6	377.6	1,527.1	6.3	75.3
Nov.	1,009.0	1,081.3	65.0	5.4	70.4	1,151.7	377.6	1,529.3	6.1	75.3
Dec.	1,027.6	1,092.6	71.5	13.4	84.9	1,177.5	354.0	1,531.6	7.2	76.9
1985 - Jan.	1,007.2	1,066.6	74.3	9.2	83.6	1,150.2	383.5	1,533.7	7.3	75.0
Feb.	1,020.2	1,081.1	76.0	7.2	83.2	1,164.2	371.3	1,535.6	7.1	75.8
Mar.	1,007.4	1,071.7	77.5	8.0	85.5	1,157.1	380.3	1,537.5	7.4	75.3
Apr.	1,002.3	1,073.4	64.1	8.9	73.0	1,146.4	393.1	1,539.5	6.4	74.5
May	1,007.8	1,078.4	62.4	9.3	71.7	1,150.1	391.5	1,541.6	6.2	74.6
MARRIED FEMALES										
1984 - Mar.	214.3	385.6	19.7	12.9	32.6	418.1	521.5	939.6	7.8	44.5
Apr.	217.5	384.4	17.4	12.3	29.7	414.1	524.7	938.8	7.2	44.1
May	216.9	385.2	14.5	11.4	25.8	411.0	531.2	942.2	6.3	43.6
June	216.1	389.6	15.1	9.8	24.8	414.5	525.4	939.9	6.0	44.1
July	215.4	393.2	12.9	10.1	23.0	416.1	521.4	937.5	5.5	44.4
Aug.	217.8	386.4	9.8	8.0	17.8	404.2	534.2	938.4	4.4	43.1
Sept.	223.5	404.0	11.6	11.5	23.1	427.1	522.0	949.0	5.4	45.0
Oct.	223.9	408.6	11.6	8.0	19.6	428.2	527.0	955.2	4.6	44.8
Nov.	233.0	412.9	12.3	7.6	19.9	432.9	518.8	951.6	4.6	45.5
Dec.	235.2	412.9	11.2	9.1	20.3	433.2	522.9	956.1	4.7	45.3
1985 - Jan.	224.8	386.6	11.6	6.4	18.0	404.6	559.4	964.0	4.5	42.0
Feb.	228.3	407.5	15.1	11.3	26.4	433.9	535.2	969.1	6.1	44.8
Mar.	230.5	410.4	14.3	14.4	28.7	439.1	527.7	966.8	6.5	45.4
Apr.	219.3	398.7	14.9	15.2	30.1	428.8	530.7	959.5	7.0	44.7
May	221.9	187.2	11.1	14.7	25.8	434.9	524.3	959.2	5.9	45.3
OTHER FEMALES										
1984 - Mar.	201.4	270.4	32.0	12.2	44.1	314.5	323.0	637.5	14.0	49.3
Apr.	199.2	266.1	32.9	11.0	43.8	309.9	330.5	640.4	14.1	48.4
May	200.6	265.2	32.4	6.6	39.0	304.2	334.9	639.1	12.8	47.6
June	205.1	266.4	32.4	10.0	42.3	308.7	334.8	643.5	13.7	48.0
July	204.4	269.8	30.9	9.7	40.6	310.4	337.5	647.9	13.1	47.9
Aug.	198.6	266.7	29.8	7.2	36.9	303.7	345.4	649.0	12.2	46.8
Sept.	202.6	272.4	28.9	9.4	38.3	310.7	329.7	640.5	12.3	48.5
Oct.	206.9	268.6	21.8	7.6	29.4	298.1	338.5	636.5	9.9	46.8
Nov.	204.9	266.1	27.7	7.9	35.6	301.7	340.7	642.4	11.8	47.0
Dec.	211.5	277.1	31.8	9.6	41.4	318.4	321.7	640.2	13.0	49.7
1985 - Jan.	205.8	264.1	36.0	8.1	44.1	308.1	326.2	634.3	14.3	48.6
Feb.	211.6	269.9	32.9	7.6	40.4	310.3	320.9	631.2	13.0	49.2
Mar.	209.5	275.1	29.7	9.4	39.1	314.2	321.4	635.6	12.4	49.4
Apr.	208.1	270.5	26.1	8.8	34.9	305.4	339.5	645.0	11.4	47.4
May	212.1	65.9	24.8	8.3	33.2	311.1	336.2	647.3	10.7	48.1

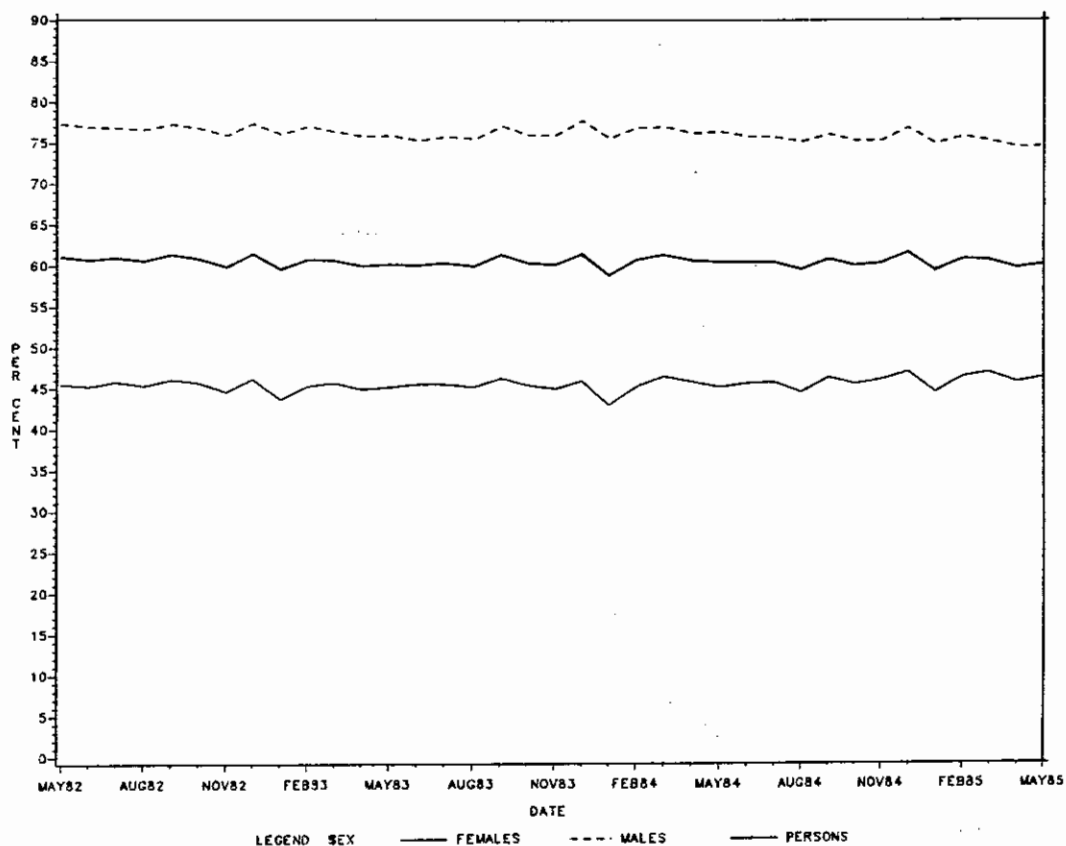
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Month	Employed		Unemployed looking for work			Labour force force ('000)	Not in labour force force ('000)	Civilian 15 years and over ('000)	Unemploy- ment rate (per cent)	Participa- tion rate (per cent)
	Full- time ('000)	Total ('000)	Full- time ('000)	Part- time ('000)	Total ('000)					
ALL FEMALES										
1984 - Mar.	415.7	655.9	51.7	25.1	76.7	732.6	844.5	1,577.1	10.5	46.5
Apr.	416.6	650.5	50.3	23.3	73.5	724.0	855.3	1,579.2	10.2	45.8
May	417.5	650.4	46.8	17.9	64.8	715.2	866.1	1,581.3	9.1	45.2
June	421.1	656.0	47.4	19.7	67.1	723.1	860.2	1,583.4	9.3	45.7
July	419.8	663.0	43.8	19.7	63.5	726.5	858.9	1,585.4	8.7	45.8
Aug.	416.5	653.1	39.5	15.2	54.8	707.9	879.5	1,587.4	7.7	44.6
Sept.	426.1	676.4	40.5	20.9	61.4	737.8	851.7	1,589.5	8.3	46.4
Oct.	430.8	677.3	33.4	15.6	49.0	726.3	865.5	1,591.7	6.7	45.6
Nov.	437.9	679.0	40.1	15.5	55.5	734.5	859.4	1,594.0	7.6	46.1
Dec.	446.7	689.9	43.0	18.7	61.7	751.6	844.6	1,596.2	8.2	47.1
1985 - Jan.	430.6	650.7	47.6	14.5	62.1	712.8	885.5	1,598.3	8.7	44.6
Feb.	439.9	677.4	48.0	18.9	66.8	744.2	856.1	1,600.3	9.0	46.5
Mar.	440.0	685.5	44.0	23.8	67.8	753.3	849.1	1,602.4	9.0	47.0
Apr.	427.4	669.2	41.0	24.0	65.0	734.2	870.2	1,604.4	8.9	45.8
May	434.0	687.0	36.0	23.0	59.0	746.0	860.5	1,606.5	7.9	46.4
PERSONS										
1984 - Mar.	1,428.9	1,736.1	128.7	32.1	160.8	1,896.9	1,192.7	3,089.6	8.5	61.4
Apr.	1,413.3	1,721.8	126.8	29.5	156.3	1,878.1	1,215.4	3,093.5	8.3	60.7
May	1,426.6	1,728.6	119.7	25.3	145.0	1,873.6	1,223.8	3,097.4	7.7	60.5
June	1,426.3	1,730.4	116.0	26.9	142.9	1,873.2	1,228.3	3,101.5	7.6	60.4
July	1,428.3	1,744.9	107.8	25.1	132.9	1,877.7	1,227.9	3,105.6	7.1	60.5
Aug.	1,420.5	1,723.0	108.4	21.6	129.9	1,852.9	1,256.9	3,109.8	7.0	59.6
Sept.	1,433.3	1,757.2	112.2	27.9	140.1	1,897.3	1,216.6	3,113.8	7.4	60.9
Oct.	1,441.3	1,754.4	98.0	23.5	121.5	1,875.8	1,243.0	3,118.9	6.5	60.1
Nov.	1,446.9	1,760.3	105.1	20.9	126.0	1,886.3	1,237.0	3,123.3	6.7	60.4
Dec.	1,474.2	1,782.5	114.5	32.1	146.6	1,929.2	1,198.6	3,127.8	7.6	61.7
1985 - Jan.	1,437.9	1,717.3	122.0	23.7	145.7	1,863.0	1,269.0	3,132.0	7.8	59.5
Feb.	1,460.1	1,758.4	123.9	26.1	150.0	1,908.5	1,227.5	3,135.9	7.9	60.9
Mar.	1,447.4	1,757.2	121.4	31.8	153.3	1,910.4	1,229.4	3,139.8	8.0	60.8
Apr.	1,429.7	1,742.5	105.1	33.0	138.0	1,880.6	1,263.4	3,143.9	7.3	59.8
May	1,441.9	1,765.5	98.4	32.3	130.6	1,896.1	1,252.0	3,148.1	6.9	60.2

TABLE 2. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER BY LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND AGE, VICTORIA, MAY 1985

Age group (years)	Males	Females		Total	Persons
		Married	Other		
LABOUR FORCE ('000)					
15-19 - 15-17	45.9	na	na	45.8	91.7
18-19	58.7	na	na	50.8	109.5
Total	104.6	*	94.2	96.7	201.3
20-24	155.8	40.3	94.3	134.6	290.4
25-34	306.0	142.3	60.0	202.3	508.2
35-44	263.7	134.9	32.3	167.3	431.0
45-54	185.9	85.1	17.2	102.2	288.1
55-59	77.5	19.8	7.6	27.4	104.8
60-64	37.1	8.2	*	12.1	49.1
65 and over	19.6	*	*	*	23.1
Total	1,150.1	434.9	311.1	746.0	1,896.1
NOT IN LABOUR FORCE ('000)					
15-19 - 15-17	63.1	na	na	58.9	122.1
18-19	10.4	na	na	16.4	26.7
Total	73.5	*	72.2	75.3	148.8
20-24	21.5	22.9	16.9	39.8	61.3
25-34	22.4	112.6	17.2	129.8	152.2
35-44	19.2	96.8	15.0	111.9	131.1
45-54	21.1	79.5	19.0	98.5	119.6
55-59	24.0	56.2	16.3	72.5	96.5
60-64	52.6	57.2	27.1	84.2	136.8
65 and over	157.2	96.0	152.4	248.4	405.6
Total	391.5	524.3	336.2	860.5	1,252.0
PARTICIPATION RATES (PER CENT)					
15-19 - 15-17	42.1	na	na	43.8	42.9
18-19	85.0	na	na	75.6	80.4
Total	58.7	*	56.6	56.2	57.5
20-24	87.9	63.8	84.8	77.2	82.6
25-34	93.2	55.8	77.7	60.9	77.0
35-44	93.2	58.2	68.3	59.9	76.7
45-54	89.8	51.7	47.4	50.9	70.7
55-59	76.3	26.0	31.7	27.4	52.1
60-64	41.3	12.6	*	12.5	26.4
65 and over	11.1	*	*	*	5.4
Total	74.6	45.3	48.1	46.4	60.2

PARTICIPATION RATES BY SEX, VICTORIA



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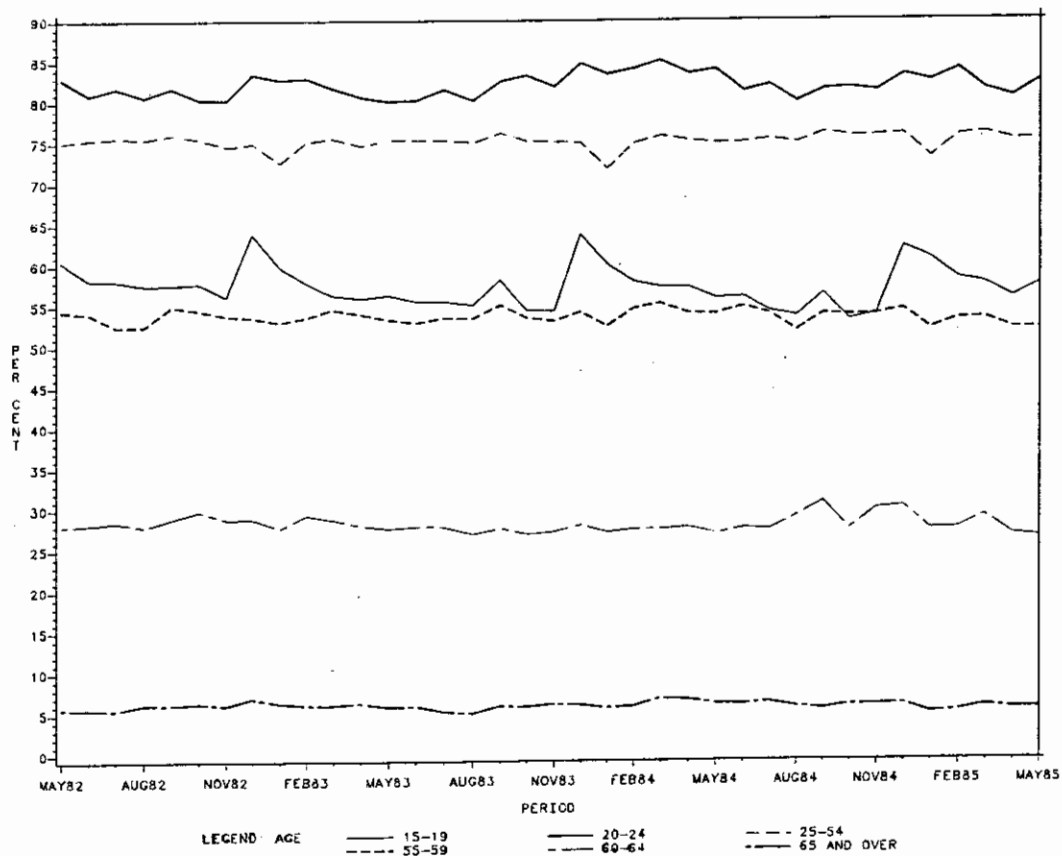


TABLE 3. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER BY LABOUR FORCE STATUS, BIRTHPLACE, AND PERIOD OF ARRIVAL IN AUSTRALIA, VICTORIA, MAY 1985

Birthplace particulars	Employed			Unempl- oyed (^{'000})	Labour force (^{'000})	Not in labour force (^{'000})	Unempl- oyment rate (per cent)	Partici- pation rate(a) (per cent)
	Full-time (^{'000})	Part-time (^{'000})	Total (^{'000})					
MALES								
Born in Australia	710.1	56.6	766.7	46.8	813.5	252.4	5.7	76.3
Born outside Australia -								
Europe - Greece	22.9	*	23.8	*	26.8	8.9	*	74.9
Italy	43.0	*	43.9	*	45.9	13.0	*	77.9
U.K. and Ireland	89.6	5.0	94.6	4.8	99.5	37.4	4.8	72.6
Yugoslavia	18.1	*	19.6	*	21.1	8.1	*	72.0
Other Europe	61.4	*	64.0	4.6	68.6	20.7	6.8	77.0
Total Europe	235.2	10.9	246.1	16.0	262.1	88.1	6.1	74.8
New Zealand	9.5	*	9.7	*	10.4	*	*	81.4
Other countries	53.0	*	55.9	8.2	64.1	20.8	12.8	75.7
Main English-speaking countries (b)	104.1	5.2	109.3	6.2	115.6	41.7	5.3	73.4
Other	193.5	8.7	202.3	18.6	220.9	69.5	8.4	76.0
Period of arrival -								
Before 1961	117.3	4.6	121.9	5.9	127.9	60.5	4.6	67.9
1961 to 1965	40.3	*	42.2	*	45.7	12.4	*	78.6
1966 to 1970	56.5	*	59.3	6.5	65.8	14.2	9.8	82.2
1971 to 1975	33.7	*	35.6	*	38.2	8.2	*	82.2
1976 to 1980	23.0	*	23.9	*	26.8	6.3	*	80.7
1981 to survey date	26.8	*	28.7	*	32.0	9.4	*	77.3
Total overseas born	297.7	14.0	311.7	24.9	336.6	111.2	7.4	75.1
FEMALES								
Born in Australia	312.3	199.2	511.5	43.8	555.3	600.1	7.9	48.0
Born outside Australia -								
Europe - Greece	12.1	*	14.7	*	16.2	19.0	*	45.9
Italy	12.1	4.5	16.6	*	17.3	31.1	*	35.6
U.K. and Ireland	29.9	21.1	51.1	4.6	55.7	65.2	8.2	46.0
Yugoslavia	10.0	*	11.1	*	12.9	12.0	*	51.8
Other Europe	23.0	12.8	35.8	*	38.1	49.1	*	43.8
Total Europe	87.2	42.1	129.4	10.8	140.2	176.4	7.7	44.2
New Zealand	6.0	*	8.8	*	9.6	6.7	*	58.9
Other countries	28.5	9.0	37.2	*	40.8	44.8	*	47.7
Main English-speaking countries (b)	37.9	25.7	63.7	5.4	69.1	75.8	7.8	47.7
Other	83.6	28.0	111.7	9.7	121.5	152.0	8.0	44.4
Period of arrival -								
Before 1961	32.5	20.2	52.7	*	55.9	108.0	*	34.1
1961 to 1965	19.2	8.2	27.4	*	29.4	28.6	*	50.6
1966 to 1970	25.5	9.6	35.1	4.3	39.4	31.3	11.0	55.7
1971 to 1975	15.6	4.4	20.0	*	22.2	22.3	*	49.8
1976 to 1980	13.5	5.0	18.5	*	19.9	16.6	*	54.3
1981 to survey date	15.3	6.2	21.5	*	23.7	20.8	*	53.3
Total overseas born	121.7	53.8	175.4	15.2	190.6	227.9	7.9	45.5

TABLE 3. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER BY LABOUR FORCE STATUS, BIRTHPLACE, AND PERIOD OF ARRIVAL IN AUSTRALIA, VICTORIA, MAY 1985 - continued

Birthplace particulars	Employed			Unempl- oyed (^{'000})	Labour force (^{'000})	Not in labour force (^{'000})	Unempl- oyment rate (per cent)	Partici- pation rate (a) (per cent)
	Full-time (^{'000})	Part-time (^{'000})	Total (^{'000})					
PERSONS								
Born in Australia	1,022.4	255.8	1,278.3	90.5	1,368.8	852.5	6.6	61.6
Born outside Australia -								
Africa	16.8	*	18.8	*	20.5	12.6	*	62.0
America	8.0	*	9.3	*	10.6	7.0	*	60.1
Asia	55.8	8.4	64.2	8.4	72.7	43.4	11.5	62.6
Europe - Germany	17.5	*	21.0	*	22.7	11.4	*	66.5
Greece	35.0	*	38.5	4.5	43.0	28.0	10.5	60.5
Italy	55.1	5.4	60.5	*	63.2	44.1	*	58.8
Malta	15.0	*	17.2	*	18.7	12.1	*	60.5
Netherlands	15.8	*	19.0	*	20.1	12.3	*	62.0
Poland	9.5	*	10.6	*	11.7	11.1	*	51.3
U.K. and Ireland	119.6	26.2	145.8	9.5	155.3	102.7	6.1	60.1
Yugoslavia	28.2	*	30.8	*	34.0	20.2	*	62.7
Other Europe	26.5	5.3	31.9	*	33.4	22.3	*	60.0
Total Europe	322.4	53.0	375.5	26.9	402.4	264.5	6.6	60.3
New Zealand	15.6	*	18.6	*	20.1	9.1	*	68.8
Total Oceania	16.2	*	19.1	*	20.9	11.5	*	64.4
Main English-speaking countries (b)	142.1	30.9	173.1	11.6	184.7	117.5	6.3	61.1
Other	277.2	36.8	314.0	28.4	342.5	221.6	8.3	60.7
Period of arrival -								
Before 1961	149.8	24.8	174.6	9.0	183.7	168.5	4.9	52.1
1961 to 1965	59.5	10.1	69.6	5.5	75.1	41.1	7.3	64.6
1966 to 1970	82.0	12.4	94.4	10.8	105.3	45.5	10.3	69.7
1971 to 1975	49.3	6.3	55.6	4.8	60.4	30.6	7.9	66.3
1976 to 1980	36.5	5.9	42.5	4.1	46.6	23.0	8.9	66.9
1981 to survey date	42.0	8.1	50.2	5.6	55.8	30.2	10.1	64.9
Total overseas born	419.4	67.8	487.2	40.1	527.3	339.2	7.6	60.8

(a) Because it is not practicable to ascertain the birthplace of persons in institutions (who are classified as 'not in the labour force'), labour force participation rates for persons classified by birthplace are calculated by using population estimates which exclude those in institutions.

(b) Comprises United Kingdom and Ireland, Canada, United States of America, South Africa, and New Zealand.

TABLE 4. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER BY LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND FAMILY STATUS, VICTORIA, MAY 1985

Family status	Employed			Unem- ployed	Labour force	Civilian			
	Full- time ('000)	Part- time ('000)	Total ('000)			Not in Labour force ('000)	popula- tion 15 years and over ('000)	Unempl- oyment rate (per cent)	Partic- ipation rate (per cent)
Member of a family -									
Married -									
Husband -									
With children (a)	400.8	10.5	411.3	15.5	426.8	22.2	449.0	3.6	95.1
Without children (a)	266.9	17.5	284.4	9.3	293.7	174.6	468.2	3.2	62.7
Wife -									
With children (a)	89.8	118.8	208.6	19.2	227.8	218.8	446.6	8.4	51.0
Without children (a)	124.6	64.0	188.6	5.7	194.3	279.6	473.9	2.9	41.0
Not-married family head -									
Male -									
With children (a)	*	*	*	*	4.0	*	5.3	*	76.3
Without children (a)	9.0	*	10.8	*	11.6	6.8	18.4	*	63.2
Female -									
With children (a)	11.3	7.3	18.6	4.2	22.9	30.7	53.6	18.6	42.7
Without children (a)	10.4	4.4	14.8	*	15.9	37.1	53.0	*	30.0
Child of family head (b) -									
Male	165.7	28.0	193.7	26.7	220.5	88.1	308.6	12.1	71.4
Female	98.3	35.3	133.6	17.6	151.2	77.2	228.5	11.6	66.2
Other relative of family head -	18.1	*	19.7	4.2	24.0	32.0	56.0	17.7	42.8
Total	1,198.0	289.8	1,487.8	104.9	1,592.7	968.4	2,561.2	6.6	62.2
Not a member of a family -									
Living alone -									
Male	59.0	*	62.5	5.9	68.4	38.1	106.5	8.6	64.2
Female	31.2	6.9	38.1	*	41.1	110.9	152.0	*	27.1
Not living alone -									
Male	57.7	5.6	63.3	5.2	68.5	12.4	80.9	7.5	84.6
Female	41.5	7.2	48.7	*	52.5	12.3	64.8	*	81.0
Total	189.5	23.2	212.7	17.9	230.6	173.7	404.3	7.7	57.0
Not family coded	54.3	10.6	65.0	7.8	72.8	109.9	182.7	10.8	39.9
Total	1,441.9	323.6	1,765.5	130.6	1,896.1	1,252.0	3,148.1	6.9	60.2

(a) Aged 0-14 present in household. (b) Aged 15 and over.

TABLE 5. EMPLOYED PERSONS, FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME STATUS BY AGE AND MARITAL STATUS, VICTORIA,
MAY 1985
(*000)

Marital status	Age group (years)								Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65 and over	
EMPLOYED FULL-TIME									
Males -									
Married	*	26.0	193.1	217.1	153.1	58.7	27.0	8.6	683.9
Other	64.6	106.7	85.5	29.7	21.8	10.6	*	*	323.9
Total	65.0	132.7	278.6	246.8	174.8	69.3	30.6	9.9	1,007.8
Females -									
Married	*	30.3	68.5	63.8	45.3	9.3	*	*	221.9
Other	47.5	75.9	47.7	23.3	9.8	4.4	*	*	212.1
Total	48.6	106.1	116.2	87.0	55.1	13.7	6.4	*	434.0
Persons -									
Married	*	56.3	261.6	280.9	198.4	68.0	30.4	8.8	905.8
Other	112.1	182.6	133.2	53.0	31.6	15.0	6.5	*	536.0
Total	113.6	238.9	394.8	333.9	230.0	83.0	37.0	10.7	1,441.9
EMPLOYED PART-TIME									
Males -									
Married	*	*	4.5	5.4	*	*	*	7.8	28.4
Other	23.5	8.0	5.8	*	*	*	*	*	42.2
Total	23.5	9.2	10.3	6.7	4.3	4.1	*	9.1	70.6
Females -									
Married	*	6.6	63.7	64.0	37.3	9.6	4.3	*	187.2
Other	32.2	11.2	6.4	6.0	5.6	*	*	*	65.9
Total	32.2	17.8	70.1	70.0	42.9	12.2	5.3	*	253.0
Persons -									
Married	*	7.9	68.3	69.5	40.1	13.2	7.2	9.4	215.6
Other	55.7	19.2	12.2	7.3	7.0	*	*	*	108.0
Total	55.7	27.1	80.4	76.7	47.2	16.2	8.6	11.7	323.6
TOTAL EMPLOYED									
Males -									
Married	*	27.2	197.6	222.5	155.9	62.3	29.9	16.4	712.3
Other	88.1	114.7	91.3	31.0	23.2	11.1	4.0	*	366.1
Total	88.5	141.9	288.9	253.6	179.1	73.4	33.8	19.0	1,078.4
Females -									
Married	*	36.9	132.2	127.8	82.6	19.0	7.8	*	409.1
Other	79.7	87.1	54.1	29.3	15.4	6.9	*	*	277.9
Total	80.8	124.0	186.3	157.0	98.0	25.9	11.6	*	687.0
Persons -									
Married	*	64.1	329.9	350.3	238.5	81.2	37.7	18.2	1,121.4
Other	167.8	201.8	145.4	60.3	38.6	18.0	7.9	4.3	644.0
Total	169.3	265.9	475.3	410.6	277.1	99.3	45.6	22.5	1,765.5

TABLE 6. EMPLOYED PERSONS BY HOURS WORKED, VICTORIA, MAY 1985

Weekly hours worked	Number employed ('000)					Percentage distribution				
	Males		Females		Total Persons	Males		Females		Total Persons
	Married	Other	Married	Other		Married	Other	Married	Other	
0(a)	53.9	20.6	11.6	32.2	86.1	5.0	5.0	4.2	4.7	4.9
1-15	40.9	89.7	41.0	130.7	171.6	3.8	21.9	14.8	19.0	9.7
16-29	49.1	82.0	25.0	107.0	156.2	4.6	20.1	9.0	15.6	8.8
30-34	62.1	34.9	22.9	57.8	119.9	5.8	8.5	8.2	8.4	6.8
35-39	230.0	77.5	73.3	150.8	380.8	21.3	18.9	26.4	22.0	21.6
40	233.3	54.0	58.7	112.7	346.0	21.6	13.3	21.1	16.4	19.6
41-44	75.9	12.8	16.4	29.2	105.1	7.0	3.1	5.9	4.3	6.0
45-48	106.6	14.2	14.8	29.1	135.7	9.9	3.5	5.3	4.2	7.7
49-59	116.7	11.4	6.7	18.1	134.9	10.8	2.8	2.4	2.6	7.6
60 and over	109.8	11.9	7.4	19.4	129.2	10.2	2.9	2.7	2.8	7.3
Total	1,078.4	409.1	277.9	687.0	1,765.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED (b)

Full-time workers	41.8	37.9	38.0	38.0	40.6	..	..	..	..	..
Part-time workers	15.0	15.8	12.9	15.0	15.0	..	..	..	..	..
All employed persons	40.0	27.8	32.0	29.5	35.9	..	..	..	..	..

(a) Persons who had a job from which they were absent for the whole of the survey week. Excludes persons laid off without pay for the whole of the survey week, who are classified as unemployed.

(b) For information regarding the calculation of standard errors, refer to Information Paper: Victorian Labour Force Statistics (6262.2), Section 4.5.

TABLE 7. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY AGE AND WHETHER LOOKING FOR FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME WORK, VICTORIA, MAY 1985

Particulars	Number ('000)			Unemployment rate (per cent)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
15-19 - 15-17	9.4	7.9	17.3	20.5	17.3	18.9
18-19	6.6	8.0	14.6	11.3	15.8	13.4
Looking for first job	10.3	10.0	20.3	..	..	..
Not looking for first job	5.7	6.0	11.7	..	..	..
Attending school	5.2	4.7	9.9	26.3	17.8	21.4
Not attending school -						
Left before 1984	5.2	7.1	12.3	10.0	16.5	12.9
Left from 1984 to survey date	5.6	4.1	9.8	17.3	15.2	16.3
Total aged 15-19 years	16.0	16.0	32.0	15.3	16.5	15.9
20-24	13.8	10.6	24.5	8.9	7.9	8.4
25-34	17.0	16.0	33.0	5.6	7.9	6.4
35-44	10.2	10.2	20.4	3.8	6.1	4.7
45-54	6.7	4.2	11.0	3.6	4.1	3.8
55 and over	7.9	*	9.8	5.9	*	5.5
Looking for - Full-time work	62.4	35.9	98.3	5.8	7.7	6.4
- Part-time work	9.3	23.0	32.3	11.6	8.3	9.1
Total unemployed	71.7	59.0	130.6	6.2	7.9	6.9

TABLE 8. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT (a), VICTORIA, MAY 1985

	Number ('000)			Percentage distribution		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Duration of unemployment (weeks) -						
Under 2	*	6.3	9.4	*	10.7	7.2
2 and under 4	4.7	6.6	11.2	6.6	11.2	8.6
4 and under 8	7.4	6.8	14.2	10.3	11.5	10.9
8 and under 13	7.6	6.8	14.4	10.6	11.5	11.0
13 and under 26	13.6	11.6	25.2	19.0	19.7	19.3
26 and under 52	10.1	7.4	17.5	14.0	12.5	13.4
52 and under 104	8.1	6.9	15.0	11.3	11.7	11.5
104 and over	17.1	6.7	23.8	23.8	11.4	18.2
Age (years) -						
15-19 -						
Under 13 weeks	6.6	7.6	14.3	9.2	12.9	10.9
13 weeks and under 52 weeks	7.6	4.7	12.3	10.6	8.0	9.4
52 weeks and over	*	*	5.5	*	*	4.2
Total	16.0	16.0	32.0	22.3	27.1	24.5
20-24 -						
Under 13 weeks	4.6	5.8	10.5	6.4	9.8	8.0
13 weeks and under 52 weeks	5.9	*	8.9	8.2	*	6.8
52 weeks and over	*	*	5.1	*	*	3.9
Total	13.8	10.6	24.5	19.3	18.0	18.8
25 and over						
Under 13 weeks	11.5	12.9	24.5	16.1	21.9	18.8
13 weeks and under 52 weeks	10.0	11.4	21.4	14.0	19.3	16.4
52 weeks and over	20.1	8.1	28.3	28.1	13.7	21.7
Total	41.8	32.4	74.2	58.4	54.9	56.8
Total	71.7	59.0	130.6	100.0	100.0	100.0

DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT (WEEKS)

Average (mean) duration -						
Aged 15-19 years	21.3	32.7	27.0	..	..	..
Aged 20-24 years	45.0	32.6	39.6	..	..	..
Aged 25 years and over	78.0	38.0	60.6	..	..	..
All ages	58.9	35.7	48.5	..	..	..
Median duration (b) -						
Aged 15-19 years	16.7	14.4	15.8	..	..	..
Aged 20-24 years	22.4	9.3	17.5	..	..	..
Aged 25 years and over	44.5	19.5	26.9	..	..	..
All ages	25.5	16.5	21.3	..	..	..

(a) Period from the time a person began looking for work, or was laid off to the end of the survey week. Periods of unemployment are recorded in complete weeks resulting in a slight understatement of duration of unemployment. (b) For information regarding the calculation of standard errors, refer to Information Paper: Victorian Labour Force Statistics (6262.2), Section 4.5

TABLE A. STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES, VICTORIA
('000)

Size of estimate	4.0	4.5	5.0	6.0	10.0	20.0	50.0	100.0	200.0	300.0	500.0	1,000.0	2,000.0
Standard error	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.5	2.0	2.9	3.7	4.8	5.5	6.5	8.1	9.9

TABLE B. STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES OF MONTH TO MONTH MOVEMENTS, VICTORIA
('000)

Size of larger estimate	4.0	4.5	5.0	6.0	10.0	20.0	50.0	100.0	200.0	300.0	500.0	1,000.0	2,000.0
Standard error	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.6	2.3	2.9	3.7	4.2	5.1	6.5	8.3